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| For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ENABLING SCALABLE SECURITY IN A VIRTUAL PRIVATE NETWORK | ,<br>Confirmation No.: 8208<br>)<br>)<br>) |

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the listed document and indicate that it was considered by making appropriate notations on the attached

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If there is any fee due in connection with the filing of this Statement, please

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Respectfully submitted,

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